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Ms. Donna R. Searcy Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Room 222 Washington, D.C.

MM Docket No.

Dear Ms. Searcy:

On behalf of Franklin Communications Partners, L.P., licensee of FM Broadcast Station WKSJ-FM, Mobile, Alabama, I am transmitting, pursuant to Rule 1.420, an original and four copies of its Comments in response to the September 22, 1992 Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the above-referenced proceeding.

If you should have any questions concerning this matter, kindly communicate with the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Laura B. Humphries

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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b), Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Lumberton, Mississippi)

MM Docket No. 92-211 RM-8601

To: Chief, Allocations Branch

COMMENTS OF FRANKLIN COMMUNICATIONS PARTNERS, L.P.

Franklin Communications Partners, L.P.("Franklin"), licensee of FM Broadcast Station WKSJ-FM, Mobile, Alabama, by its attorneys and pursuant to Rule 1.420, hereby submits the following comments in the above-captioned rulemaking proceeding. 1/

In the <u>Notice of Proposed Rule Making</u>, DA 92-1166 (released September 22, 1992) (the "<u>Notice</u>"), in this proceeding, the Commission proposed to substitute Channel 237C1 for Channel 237C2 at Lumberton, Mississippi and to modify the license of Station WLUN to specify operation on the higher class channel.^{2/} In the <u>Notice</u>, the Commission noted that Stone-Lamar's site for

On September 30, 1992, Franklin and Capitol Broadcasting Corporation ("Capitol") consummated assignment of the WKSJ-FM license from Capitol to Franklin, pursuant to Commission authorization (see File No. BALH-920513GM).

The Commission's proposed change to the Table of Allotments was requested by Stone-Lamar Broadcast Services Corporation ("Stone-Lamar"), licensee of WLUN.

its proposed Class C1 facility would be short-spaced to the "allotment site" for WKSJ-FM, which operates on second adjacent Channel 235C. The Commission further noted that WKSJ-FM has outstanding a construction permit (File No.BMPH-900427ID) to which the Lumberton Class C1 facility would be fully spaced.

WKSJ-FM is currently operating from the site specified in the above-referenced construction permit and has on file with the Commission an application for license to cover that permit (File No. BLH-910214KC). Franklin has no objection to the proposed WLUN upgrade, so long as WKSJ-FM is afforded full interference protection at its existing site. Franklin is aware of the Commission's long-standing policy of refusing to create short-spaced allotments, see, e.g., Notice of Proposed Rule Making in MM Docket No. 87-121, 3 FCC Rcd 1820, 1821 and n.9 (1988), and respectfully requests the agency to faithfully adhere to that policy in this instance.

Respectfully submitted,

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